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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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SIRS:

Responsive to the OA of 9/13/05, applicant respectfully solicits reconsideration and allowance.

Claims 77-87 and 89-94 are in the application and under prosecution. There are no new amendments to the claims in the instant response. Thus, there are no new fees required or restating of the claims.

Claims 77-87, 89-94 were rejected under 103 over Tipirneni (6,381,029) in view of Barnes 6,912,317. Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejection as being without foundation. No combination of the two references, even if extended or modified, would make obvious under 103 the instant invention as recited in the rejected claims.

In main claim 93, we recite "a plurality of subscribers having imaging devices for producing medical images and connected to said network for transmitting through said network said produced medical images for storage and for receiving through said network said stored medical images". Note, that the "subscribers" provide two functions (1) transmitting..for storage, and (2) receiving through said network said stored medical images.